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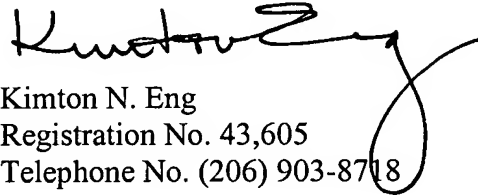
Claims 33-50 are pending in the present application. In the office action mailed September 7, 2004 (the "Office Action"), claims 33-50 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-29 of U.S. Patent No. 6,313,490 to Noble (the "Noble patent").

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c) has been provided with this response to overcome the rejection of claims 33-50 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Consequently, the rejection of claims 33-50 for obviousness-type double patenting should be withdrawn.

All of the claims pending in the present application are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a timely Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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